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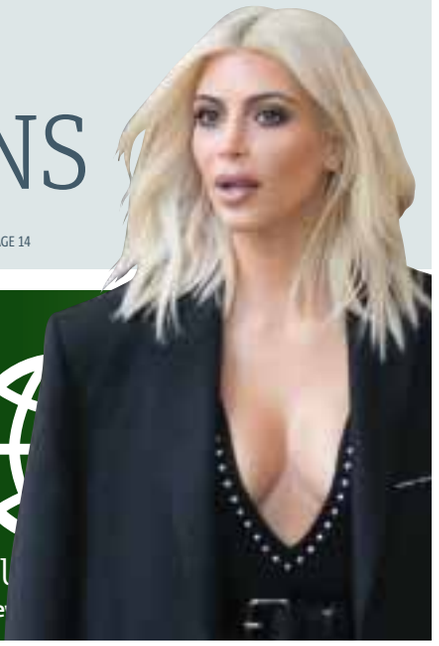

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# Grief in the street

**Tragedy.** Search crews pulled two bodies Sunday from the wreckage of three buildings destroyed by last week's explosion in the East Village. PAGE 02

White roses were strewn on Second Avenue yesterday by the brother of one of the victims in Thursday's East Village explosion. / MILES DIXON, METRO

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# Bodies pulled from East Village rubble

**Fatality.** The bodies of two men were found Sunday as crews picked through the wreckage of Thursday's East Village explosion.

New York firefighters remove debris from the explosion site Sunday. / MILES DIXON, METRO

Rescue crews with cadaver dogs pulled two bodies Sunday from the rubble of the East Village gas explosion, and authorities identified one as Nicholas Figueroa, a 23-year-old college student who was on a date at Sushi Park restaurant when hell was unleashed.

Figueroa's family had been clinging to hope that firefighters would find the young man alive, and held vigil at St. Marks Place and Second Avenue, tossing white roses, baby's breath and sunflowers into the street.

"Find my brother, please!" Neal Figueroa yelled to emergency workers as they picked through the rubble at 7th Street and Second Avenue. "Thank you, we have faith, don't give up."

But at 3 p.m., when a second body was found, Neal broke down, forcing his relatives to escort him into a waiting NYPD van.

"They found him. His body is all intact. Nothing burned him," said family friend Awilda Cordero, who volunteered as a spokeswoman. "The family is distraught." It was still unclear Sunday night if the second body found is that of the other missing man, Moises Lucon, 26, who worked at Sushi Park.

"We continue to search, although there are no other missing persons," Fire Commissioner Daniel A. Nigro said at a press conference Sunday night. "So the feeling is everyone who had been reported missing has now been found. The likelihood of anyone else being here is very small."

Nigro said the first victim was found 20 feet from the entrance of the restaurant, while the second victim was located about 40 feet from the entrance. Crews have been working day and night to remove debris from the explosion site, Nigro said.

More than 1,000 cubic yards of debris have already been cleared, though crews expect to be working through the week to clear the rest of the wreckage.

In all, 11 buildings were evacuated because of Thursday's explosion, leaving residents of 144 apartments without homes. Three buildings were destroyed and a fourth badly damaged.

Twenty-two people were injured — four critically — in the explosion, police said. Phil Smrek, of Williamsburg, who was at a nearby theater when the blast happened, says the explosion has him shaken.

"I just feel vulnerable," said Smrek of being so close to the devastation on Thursday.

**Ongoing investigation**

**Investigators are looking into whether gas and plumbing work being done privately in one building led to the explosion.**

- Firefighters are digging their way toward the basement beneath Sushi Park, where the explosion originated.
- The basement could hold the key to the cause of the devastation, which Mayor Bill de Blasio on Friday said was possibly tied to someone "inappropriately" tapping into a gas line.
- Investigators said they have not reached any conclusion about the cause.

**Fatalities**

## One victim identified

Nicholas Figueroa had been at Sushi Park at 121 Second Ave. on a date with a woman who was hurt in the explosion.

She was taken to a hospital. Her condition hasn't been disclosed.

Figueroa had reportedly gotten up to pay the bill when the blast happened.

The 23-year-old was one of two people reported missing following the explosion.

The other, 26-year-old Moises Lucon, worked at the restaurant.

Authorities last night did not confirm whether Lucon was the second victim.

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# NYC's guerrilla gardeners unite

**Community.** Green-thumbed New Yorkers are planting the seeds for more urban gardens.

Dierell Wilson stands in his community garden, which he built in an abandoned lot without permission. He was forced to stop "guerilla gardening," even with his community's support.
HANNAH MATTIX, METRO

The collard greens and tomatoes Dierell Wilson planted last fall are brown, wilted and still in the ground. That's because Wilson and his neighbors were forced to abandon their community garden last year on a city-owned lot now designated for development.

The lot on the corner of Bradford Street and Blake Avenue in Brooklyn is owned by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development and is one of several vacant lots the city designated as possible sites for affordable housing.

Wilson, now armed with the help of both his community and advocates, is undeterred.

"Everyone got tired of people throwing trash in and the drug dealers hanging out front," Wilson, 26, told Metro.

Wilson confessed he knew nothing of the bureaucratic process needed to open a community garden on city-owned property that, from outside the wooden fence, appeared abandoned and blighted.

He and a growing group of neighbors began to clean up the 4,000-square-foot space after a sanitation worker clipped off the lock of the wooden fence. Soon, they were planting vegetables and drawing eyes and more helping hands from around the block — without permission from the city.

"I didn't know what guerrilla gardening was, but we were doing it," Wilson said. Eventually the city caught on and closed off the property even as Wilson began trying to legitimize the community garden now knows as the Eden Learning Garden.

"Sometimes, people underestimate how much effort goes into creating a garden," said Mary Elizabeth Prall, an organizer with advocacy group 596 Acres.

Tasked with New Yorkers adding to the city's more than 600 community gardens, the small nonprofit has a far reach with a fully interactive map that shows unused government-owned land and helps neighbors organize.

Once residents mobilize around a vacant lot, the group suggests organizers earn the support of their local community board and local officials.

Communication with whichever agency owns the property is key before organizers submit paperwork to GreenThumb, the city Parks Department's community gardening program, which can then help negotiate what typically is a year-long contract between the group and the government agency.

However, the contract can be pulled at any time by the city if they find an alternate use for it.

And as Mayor Bill de Blasio eyes an ambitious affordable housing plan, HPD recently released its list of 181 lots where developers can bid to build homes, including 17 that currently house community gardens.

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**State of gardens**

**Department of Housing Preservation and Development estimates that less than 50 gardens across the city are on lots it owns.**

- Half of households in East New York — already targeted by the de Blasio administration for a massive rezoning plan — earn than less than $25,000 a year.
- The lot that would be the Eden Learning Garden could offer as many as 30 new units for rent as high as $3,000 for a family of four.

**Quoted**

**"People are still coming to us for guidance, and we're telling them not to give up. If your community wants it, don't give up."**
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# First-day jitters for Coney Island Cyclone

**The legendary Coney Island Cyclone stalled during its first run of the season on Sunday, stranding terrified passengers. As riders neared the historic wooden coaster's 85-foot-high pinnacle, the Cyclone's cars locked up. Workers gingerly escorted the scared thrillseekers down the clickety-clack tracks after 15 very long minutes. City inspectors will have to check out the 88-year-old ride before it can reopen to the public.** / MILES DIXON

David Zubin, 24, of Bensonhurst, was one of the people who got stranded on the rollercoaster.

**Quoted**

**"I was in the front car like I have been for the last two years in a row. It was my friend's fault, he jinxed the whole thing by saying, 'What if it broke down?' ... I wasn't really scared when it happened, I was just nervous because I didn't know why it stopped. But when we had to climb down; that was bad. That was scary because the Cyclone is so old and all the wood is old. I don't care though, it's still my favorite ride. I'm waiting until it starts running again so I can get back on."**

**Metro-North**

## Daughters recall night of deadly crash

The moment their dad drove up with a cop escort, the daughters of Metro-North crash victim Ellen Brody knew something horrible had happened.

"He drives home and we see, like, two police cars right behind his car," high schooler Alexa Brody tells Matt Lauer in an interview airing Monday on NBC's "Today" show. "When he came in, he was like, 'She's gone.'"

Brody was killed when a train struck her SUV on tracks in Valhalla. Five passengers, all men, also died.

Alexa and her two older sisters, Danielle and Julia, sit side-by-side in their Edgemont home during the interview.

Alan Brody has suggested his wife became confused before the train came barreling through. JOHN A. OSWALD

**Cherry Grove**

## Fire Island fire

The president of the Cherry Grove Community Association is vowing the Fire Island gay resort enclave will bounce back after Friday's devastating blaze.

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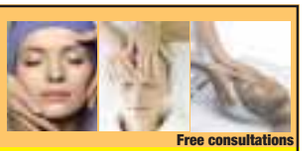

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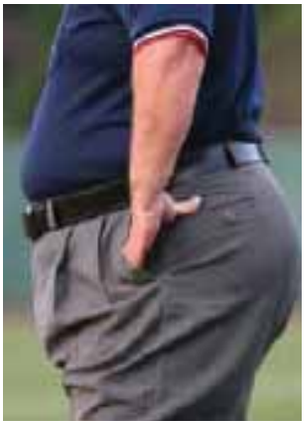

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# Governor stands by law decried by LGBT community

**Republican.** Indiana Gov. Mike Pence is feeling the heat as a campaign to boycott Indiana grows.

Indiana Gov. Mike Pence says controversial "Religious Freedom" law won't change. / GETTY IMAGES

He's willing to "clarify" it — but Indiana's controversial Religious Freedom Restoration Act will continue to be the law of the land in the Hoosier State, its governor, Mike Pence insists.

The law legalizes discrimination against gays, opponents say, by offering protections to Indiana residents and businesses against doing something that violates their religious principles.

"We're not going to change the law," Pence said on ABC's "This Week with George Stephanopoulos."

Business groups have threatened to pull jobs from the state since Pence, a Republican, signed the RFRA into law Thursday.

Pence noted that Bill Clinton, a Democrat, signed a similar measure to prevent the government from infringing on an individual's religious beliefs in 1993. But gay legal groups note Indiana's new law is more stringent.

The White House also weighed in. "If you have to go back two decades to try to justify something that you're doing today, it may raise some questions about the wisdom of what you're doing," said a spokesman for President Barack Obama.

JOHN A. OSWALD

**Quoted**

**"But if the general assembly in Indiana sends me a bill that adds a section that reiterates and amplifies and clarifies what the law really is ... than I'm open to that."** Pence

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**"It should be easy for leaders in this country to stand up and say that it is wrong to discriminate against people just because of who they love."**

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**Research.** Scientists are interested in seeing how the human body fares during longer stays in space.

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Kelly and Kornienko will return to Earth in March 2016 with Expedition 46 after 342 days in space.

NASA astronaut Scott Kelly and Mikhail Kornienko and Gennady Padalka of the Russian Federal Space Agency (Roscosmos) joined their Expedition 43 crewmates when the hatches between the Soyuz TMA-16M spacecraft and the International Space Station opened. Kelly and Kornienko will spend about a year on the space station to better understand how the human body reacts and adapts to the harsh environment of space.

Kelly and Kornienko will spend about a year on the space station to better understand how the human body reacts and adapts to the harsh environment of space. Data from the one-year mission will be used to determine whether there are ways to further reduce the risks on future long-duration missions to an asteroid and eventually Mars.

During the expedition, both a U.S. and a Russian cargo resupply vehicle will arrive at the station, bringing several tons of food, fuel and supplies as well as a host of new science investigations.

Commander Terry Virts and flight engineers Anton Shkaplerov and Samantha Cristoforetti will return home in May 2015. At that time Padalka will become commander for Expedition 44. Padalka will spend six months aboard the outpost, during which he will become the first four-time station commander and record holder for most cumulative time spent in space. **NASA/REUTERS**

**Study**

## Researchers to investigate the effect of long space stays on the human body

Some of the space station crew. / NASA

Four Soviet-era cosmonauts lived on the now-defunct Mir space station for a year or longer, but the missions, which concluded in 1999, did not have the sophisticated medical equipment that will be used during International Space Station investigations, NASA said.

Scientists are interested in seeing how the human body fares during longer stays in space, as the United States and other countries begin planning for multiyear missions to Mars. In addition to more exposure to radiation, astronauts experience bone and muscle loss and changes in their cardiovascular, immune and other systems. Scott Kelly and Mikhail Kornienko will participate in a battery of experiments before, during and after their flight to assess psychological and physiological changes from being in microgravity for a year. A third participant is Kelly's identical twin brother, Mark Kelly, a former NASA astronaut who will serve as a ground-based subject. **REUTERS**

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# Thousands of faithful wave fronds at Pope Francis

Pope Francis led the world's Roman Catholics in Palm Sunday celebrations by paying tribute to those killed for their faith, a reference to the victims of Islamic State militants. Francis, who earlier this month began the third year of his papacy, presided at a colorful procession in St. Peter's Square commemorating the day the Bible says people of Jerusalem welcomed Jesus days before he was crucified. REUTERS

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# Five things you

## 1 Crash pilot was planning big gesture: Paper

The co-pilot suspected of deliberately crashing an airliner, killing 150 people, had told his girlfriend he was planning a spectacular gesture so "everyone will know my name," a German daily said on Saturday.

The Bild newspaper published an interview with a woman who said she had a relationship in 2014 with Andreas Lubitz, the man French prosecutors believe locked himself alone in the cockpit of the German-wings Airbus on Tuesday and steered it into the French Alps, killing all on board.

"When I heard about the crash, I remembered a sentence ... he said: 'One day I'll do something that will change the system, and then everyone will know my name and remember it,'" said the woman, a flight attendant the paper gave the pseudonym of Maria W.

"I didn't know what he meant by that at the time, but now it's obvious," she said. "He did it because he realized that, due to his health problems, his big dream of working at Lufthansa, of a having job as a pilot, and as a pilot on long-distance flights, was nearly impossible."

"He never talked much about his illness, only that he was in psychiatric treatment," she told the paper, adding they finally broke up because she was afraid of him.

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## 2 Four-year-old rides bus alone in search of slushie

A 4-year-old Pennsylvania girl surprised a driver and passengers when she boarded a bus alone in the middle of the night on a quest for a sugary slushy, transportation officials said.

Surveillance footage shows the girl, bundled up in all purple, boarding a Philadelphia bus at 3 a.m. on Friday.

The girl, who appeared cheerful as she stretched and dangled her boots off her seat, told bus riders that she wanted to get a slushie, Southeastern Pennsylvania Transportation Authority spokeswoman Kristin Geiger said.

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# need to know

## Singapore bids farewell to founding father Lee

Grieving Singaporeans were joined by world leaders on Sunday to pay their final respects to the country's first prime minister, Lee Kuan Yew, as the nation came to a near-halt to honor its "founding father."

Tens of thousands of people waving flags braved heavy rain and lined the streets to catch a last glimpse of Lee as his coffin was taken by gun carriage on a procession through the streets of the country he helped build to his state funeral. REUTERS

Lee's coffin / GETTY IMAGES

## Seven shot at spring break party in Florida

Three college students were among seven people shot, several critically injured, early Saturday morning at a raucous spring break party in Panama City Beach, Florida, and the suspected shooter was taken into custody, local police said.

Shortly before 1 a.m., officers were called to a building near the beach, where they found the victims, three of whom are students at Alabama A&M University, the Bay County Sheriff's office said in an electronic statement.

A .40-caliber handgun was found in the backyard of the residence. REUTERS

## Air Canada flight slides off Halifax runway

An Air Canada plane slid off a runway and suffered heavy damage while landing in the east coast city of Halifax on Sunday, sending more than 20 passengers and crew to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

The incident happened shortly after midnight. The airline said in an update on Sunday afternoon that all but one of those admitted to hospitals had been released.

"We at Air Canada are greatly relieved that no one was critically injured. Yet we fully appreciate this has been a very unsettling experience," Air Canada Chief Operating Officer Klaus Goersch said in a statement. REUTERS


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**Today, Ben Stiller would like to thank the pint-size Academy, Seth Rogen is not a happy traveler and Seth MacFarlane has a deal for Indiana.**

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## 1 The Soho House's 'No Kardashian' rule is the best thing ever

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I thought I wanted a Soho House membership before, but now I really, really want one. The private club's Los Angeles outpost recently celebrated its fifth birthday, and to mark the occasion a former membership director is spilling the beans on which big names have been turned away from its cushy confines. "We denied access to every Real Housewife who applied," Tim Geary tells the Hollywood Reporter. "Kim Kardashian has unsuccessfully tried numerous times. Kobe Bryant showed up and chose not to join. We didn't let him up. There was debate over Britney Spears. Not sure how that played out. We tried not to give membership to people who would fuel paparazzi or bring press." This place sounds amazing.

## 2 Taylor Swift dating rumors are back

It's been a hot minute since we've had any speculation about Taylor Swift's love life, and if that's had you feeling deprived I've got some good news for you. Last week, Swift was spotted "getting snuggly" with superstar DJ and producer Calvin Harris at a Kenny Chesney concert in Nashville, and sources say they've been spending time together since first meeting last month at the Brit Awards. "He is taken with her," a source says, according to Us Weekly. "It's been going on a few weeks. They actually make a great couple. They are just getting to know each other and we'll see what happens." And Harris is clearly a good sport — or really, really into Swift — because come on, a Kenny Chesney concert? That's dedication.

SOMEONE'S BEEN GETTING SNUGGLY.

## THE WORD

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## 3 This Sacha Baron Cohen movie news is confounding

Sorry, Queen fans, Sacha Baron Cohen is not re-joining the Freddie Mercury. The band's manager, Jim Beach, said Cohen "had been re-engaged to write, produce and direct the film, as well as starring in all four major roles," guitarist Brian May writes. "I'm afraid some folks might have taken it seriously."

WE ARE NOT THE CHAMPIONS AFTER ALL.

## 4 Christine Baranski wants a musical 'The Good Wife' episode

CRAZIER THINGS HAVE HAPPENED.

Sure, it doesn't make any sense whatsoever for hit legal drama "The Good Wife" to feature an episode where everyone's singing, but wouldn't that still be kind of awesome? Co-star Christine Baranski seems to think so. "How cool would it be if ... we could make use of all the musical talent?" she muses to E! News. Pretty cool, Ms. Baranski. Pretty cool.

**Daily video**

### The Rock's gritty live-action 'Bambi' reboot

The sad part is, this doesn't seem so far-fetched. For Dwayne Johnson's stint hosting "Saturday Night Live" this weekend, the show threw together this hilarious look at Disney's 21st century, live-action approach to the children's classic "Bambi," only injected with some "Fast and Furious" adrenaline and gunplay. Johnson stars as the titular orphaned deer who is out for revenge. The hunters truly become the hunted.

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# Sex, love and Tove Lo

Tove Lo's breakup remedy: weed, Twinkies and sex clubs.
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**Interview.** She may have a penchant for bad habits, but that only makes things interesting.

With "Habits" reaching number one on the Billboard charts and an arena tour with Katy Perry behind her, all eyes are on Tove Lo, pop's newest breakthrough artist. We talk to the Swedish electro-pop singer about the dark side of relationships and moving on after getting her heart broken.

**On having great, no-strings-attached sex:**
"I've had a lot of sex without hoping it will turn into love. I can definitely separate the two. But when you are in love with someone, and you have sex, it's always better. But [good sex] can definitely cloud your judgment. 'Talking Body' is about that. If you start off having great sex, things tend to last longer than if you started by going out on a date, and things just don't click."

**The best revenge on an ex:**
"It's hard when you've been hurt. All you want is for the other person to be hurt as well. But the best revenge is just to not care anymore. I've been on the other side of it, wanting [my ex] back, and he was like, 'No, you f--ed it up.' That was probably the hardest feeling for me because I felt like I ruined something really good, and now I can't fix it."

**Relationships versus single life:**
"I like being single more, but somehow I always end up in a relationship. I love being in love. I love the very beginning of a relationship, when things aren't defined, and you're just having a great time together. When you're a couple, sometimes there's all these demands that come with it like, 'Oh, now that we're a couple, you can't do that.' But it becomes really beautiful when you show your flaws. I think it's easier to be single, but it's definitely worth it to be in a relationship when you really love someone."

**On falling in love again:**
"I'm in a really great relationship right now, and it's the first time I feel like it's easy. I'm really in love with him, and we have a great time. He gets me and I get him. My next album is maybe going to be a little happier I think."

**Intense relationships**

## On writing about the dark side of love instead of the happy parts

"I've only really had intense relationships. It's like all you see is that other person. And you also go crazy. I've never had this, 'We went out a few times and started liking each other, then we fell in love, and now we're a couple.' I think those relationships probably last longer because you're OK with it not always being great, and you don't make a crazy storm out of everything if something feels a little wrong."

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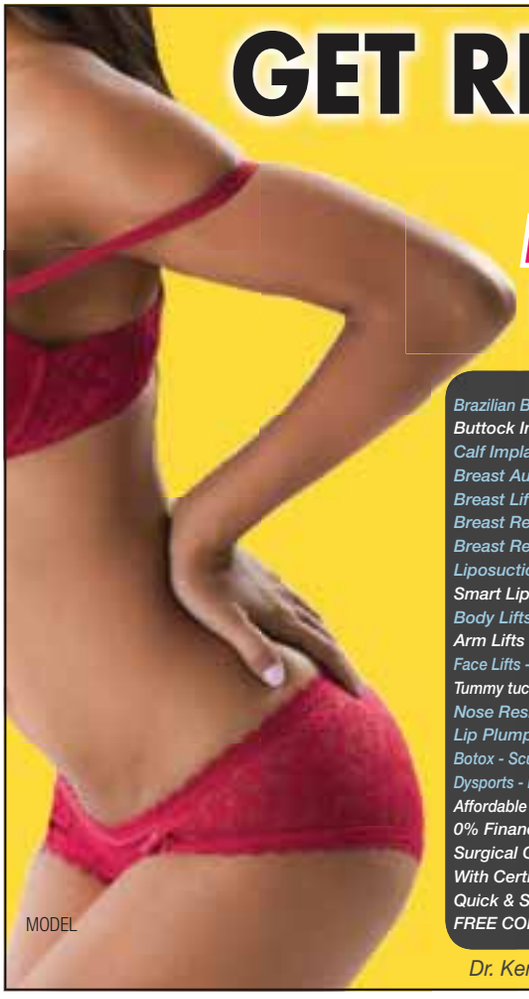

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# Interview. Actress Jennifer Lawrence says, 'My Oscar lives on my parents' piano'

In between the David O. Russell films "Silver Linings Playbook" and "American Hustle," Jennifer Lawrence reunited with Bradley Cooper for a very different film. "Serena" is a period saga that turns the pair into a husband and wife, the former as a timber company magnate in Depression-era North Carolina, and she is an independent and self-determined woman in an age that was unsympathetic to those like her.

Jennifer Lawrence gets to ride a horse in her '30s duds in "Serena," now in theaters and on VOD. / MAGNOLIA PICTURES

**Was working with animals tricky? Did you have to learn how to ride a horse?**

I think I can do it pretty well, but I had to learn separately how to handle an eagle. It's so fascinating to work with an animal that has literally no affection in its eyes at all; it's only looking at what it can eat. It's a fascinating creature to hold on your arm, this thing that only kills, and it's terrifying because its talons are huge. The eagle, in a lot of ways, is an embodiment of Serena: taken from its native place and trained enough but then set free to wreak havoc and then brought home again. The eagle is a good symbol.

**Bonus question**

**In an interview, you said that you don't know where your Oscar statue is. Have you found it?**

Yes, my mother has it! I wanted to hide it, but she thinks that it has to be visible. I didn't like that idea so much. It's as if people come to visit me just to stare at it. But we have found a compromise: "Oscar" is now living in my parents' house. They've put it on the piano.

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# Are you ready for the new SAT?

Experts say students are in for a surprise.

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The new, revised SAT exam will be rolled out in exactly a year, and one tutoring specialist has a message for all students planning to take it: You're in for a big (and unpleasant) surprise.

"The College Board [which administers the exam] has gone out of its way to make the redesigned SAT prep-proof," says Ray Huntington, the founder and CEO of Huntington Learning Center, a tutoring and test-prep company. "If a student depends on tricks and shortcuts, they aren't going to do well."

Huntington notes that while many students and parents have begun to ask him about studying for the new SAT, he expects the public at large to be caught off guard. Here's how to get ready:

## Build a strong foundation

"In order to do well in math on the new test, you have to be a good reader," says Huntington, who has been studying the sample questions that have been released so far. "Many of the math problems will have a backstory."

The SAT will be revised next year. ISTOCK

## Strengthen your writing skills

This is also true of the essay section. "The student will now have to understand the author's argument and verbalize what that argument is," he notes. "Many students will end up summarizing the passage instead of analyzing it."

## Get comfortable with history

Huntington also warns that the passages in the verbal section will be much more complicated than what students are used to. "The redesigned SAT will require historical passages as well as passages based on the global conversation," he explains.

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# Will students soon be interviewing on video for their first jobs?

Are you ready for your close-up?

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For generations of college seniors, those all-important first job interviews have traditionally followed the same script: Applicants put on their best suits, print out their résumés that highlight their internships and part-time jobs and sit anxiously with their portfolios in an office waiting room.

But one entrepreneur is betting those days will soon be over. Chris Young is the CEO and founder of Async Interview, which facilitates job interviews using video. Young came up with the idea for his business as a result of his own frustrations with the labor- (and travel-) intensive interview process. He sees his company as a solution for both the candidates (who are often still busy juggling classes and homework) and the campus recruiters crisscrossing the country each year — a method for attending interviews without leaving the comfort of home.

Nervous about the prospect of interviewing on camera for your dream job? We asked Young for his suggestions on how to prepare:

## Don't complicate your life

"Use a computer instead of a tablet or smartphone," Young says. "It will give you better quality, and you won't have to awkwardly hold anything."

## Top to bottom

Fold those flannel pajama pants, and put them back in the drawer. "Be sure to dress from head to toe, not just from the waist up," he says. "This is not a no-pants interview; sometimes they may be able to see what you are wearing below the waist."

## Practice, practice, practice

"Get comfortable with being onscreen," Young says. "Take advantage of all the practice you can get. Skype with your mom or a friend and have them ask you potential interview questions."

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Were you thinking about sitting in front of that window? Think again. "If you sit in front of a light, the recruiter won't be able to see your face," Young says. "You want all of the light in front of you, shining on your face."

## Stick it

"Tape notes to your wall. You can list certain talking points that you'd like to bring up no matter what questions are asked."

## Stay focused

Remember there are no do-overs in interviews. "It's a simulated environment, and you're unable to re-record responses," Young says. "When the interview starts, that's it. You can't say, 'Hold on, let me start over again.'"


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# How to ask for a raise in 2015

Doing your research is key to getting the salary you deserve. ISTOCK

The art of negotiation takes practice, especially when it comes to younger workers — particularly young women — who are looking for their first raise.

"There are certain cultural assumptions that we take on as women," notes author Jessica Porter. "It's things like 'I don't want to appear greedy to my boss.' Women also often don't have the same access to information as their male peers do."

Along with Deborah Kolb, professor emerita at Simmons College, Porter is the co-author of the upcoming book "Negotiating at Work: Turn Small Wins into Big Gains." We asked her how women can get the salary they deserve and move ahead in their careers.

**Research your competitors.** "The first thing I would do is gather as much information as possible," she says. "What do people at other companies make? That's how you know what to ask for."

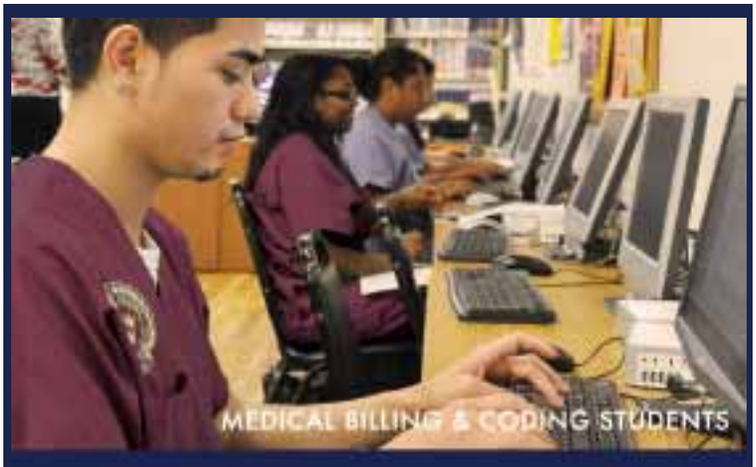
## Think of a package deal

"If you are only negotiating salary, there's only so far that you can go," Porter reminds us. Other requests can include a new title and tuition reimbursement.

**Know your workplace.** It's also important to understand how things work at your own company. "What does your boss value?" Porter asks. "What does your boss think is important? If your boss thinks that the income brought in from sales is important, start to think about how you can talk about that."

**Prepare for a lengthy process.** "The longer you can stretch the negotiation process, the more success you are going to have," says Porter. "We think of negotiation as something that takes place in a finite amount of time. That's not true."

**Remember that you deserve this.** "It can really help to reflect on why you are asking for these things," she says. "There's a reason you are asking for what you are asking for." LAKSHMI GANDHI

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## Horoscope

**♈ Aries | March 21-April 20**
A romantic relationship should take top priority. You will serve as a positive role model for someone younger.

**♉ Taurus | April 21-May 21**
You will have to take extra care when sharing your opinions. Your words may be misinterpreted or misunderstood. Before making a major change, dig deep and proceed with caution.

**♊ Gemini | May 22-June 20**
A lucrative partnership will develop as a result of a new acquaintance that you make while helping others.

**♋ Cancer | June 21-July 22**
Update your look in order to get positive feedback. Financial planning should be your main priority. An innovative idea will pay off.

**♌ Leo | July 23-Aug. 22**
Your charisma will draw the attention of someone in a position of authority. Share your ideas, but don't let anyone take over.

**♍ Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22**
Present your work. A colleague will try to damage your reputation. Make sure that whomever you work with or for is fully aware of your contributions.

**♎ Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22**
You need to put more energy into your relationships. Plan social events that include your loved ones. Mixing business with pleasure will pay off.

**♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21**
Admit that you don't have all the answers. If change is needed, do whatever it takes to get the job done.

**♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21**
You will be outgoing and in demand. Surround yourself with inspiring people. Consider entering into a partnership.

**♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan. 20**
Don't allow anyone to push you into something. You will end up in a vulnerable position if you take on more than you can handle.

**♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb. 18**
Keep your personal life to yourself. If you are feeling restless, a physical or mental challenge will be stimulating.

**♓ Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20**
You will have a lot on your mind, so make sure you put forth extra effort. Don't let emotional matters prevent you from doing your best work. EUGENIA LAST

## Sudoku: Easy and hard

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**How to play**
Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

## Letters to the editor

### *Netanyahu right about Iran*

**Re: 'McCain should give bloody dispute more respect' (Metro, March 25)** I agree with the recent letter writer who said that we must show respect to President Obama. However, the letter writer made a very disrespectful remark about Sen. John McCain "carrying water for Israel." When you consider the fact that some of Iran's leaders have called for the destruction of Israel, you cannot blame Sen. McCain and Prime Minister Netanyahu for being concerned about Israel's safety. I have disagreed with Netanyahu when it comes to his settlement policy and his reluctance to establish a Palestinian state. However, when it comes to his warnings about Iran, he (and McCain) are completely in the right.
JOHN FRANCIS FOX, VIA EMAIL

### *In a state of satisfaction*

**Re: 'Cruz smart to look into Obamacare' (Metro, March 27-29)** In New York state, my health insurance premium was cut by almost two-thirds when I went from private insurance to coverage provided via New York State of Health. My first-hand experience is that I am extremely happy with Obamacare, but perhaps since Texas has one of the highest rates of uninsured in the nation due to its resistance to the Affordable Care Act, Sen. Cruz's Texas constituents may not be as happy as I am.
GREGORY HOLMAN, VIA EMAIL

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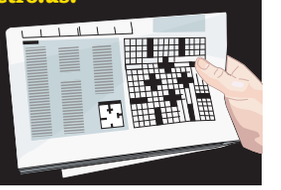

## Crossword

**Across**
1 Rude person
5 Jazzy refrain
9 Drain cleaner
12 Eye amorously
13 Gandhi setting
15 Beach toy
16 Third-quarter tide
17 Beeper
18 Refs
19 Go flat
21 Like Bogart's falcon
23 What the suspicious smell (2 wds.)
24 — Alamos
25 Corn husks
28 Flowering trees
33 Antler prongs
34 The Force was with him
35 Beery or Wyle
36 Hosp. workers
37 Tough fabric
38 Insurance gp.
39 Brainstorm
41 Taper off
42 English assignment
44 Buy
46 Reprimands
47 Any miss
48 "— be surprised!"
49 Hit the spot
53 Unpaid debts
57 Brown chirper
58 Pulls down
60 "Never heard — —!"
61 Shake — — (hurry)
62 "Golden Hind" captain
63 Karachi language
64 Dude, Jamaica-style
65 Fit together
66 Angled a nail

**Down**
1 Brosnan role
2 Curved molding
3 Viking name
4 Put back
5 Dogie catchers
6 Mooring site
7 Rx monitor
8 Resolute
9 Glittery fabric
10 Small barks
11 Ultimatum word
14 Dental filling
15 Wears (2 wds.)
20 Havens
22 1977 Bowie album
25 Bacon unit
26 Krishna devotee
27 Al of Indy fame
28 Metaphysical poet
29 "Garfield" pooch
30 Exclaimed over
31 Kickboxer Jean-Claude Van —
32 Wing tips
34 Senate votes
37 Towered over
40 Sore
42 Wk. day
43 Safe house
45 Guys and fellows
46 Victorian garment
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50 A Guthrie
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56 Beefcake model
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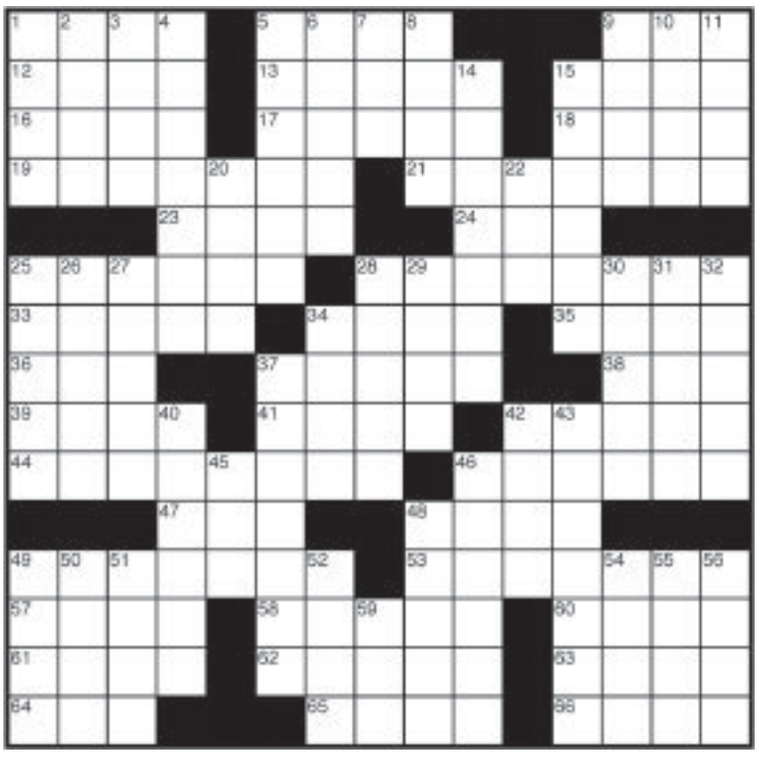

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SPORTS

**Spring training news**

## *Yankees' injuries pile up*

**Yankees first baseman Mark Teixeira told the media he was "fine" after being hit by a pitch in the knee in an intrasquad game Sunday afternoon. This a day after shortstop Didi Gregorius sprained his wrist diving for a grounder Saturday. Both are hoping to play on opening day.**

The Giants need help in their secondary, and Utah safety Eric Rowe could be a mid-round impact pick. / GETTY IMAGES

# Giants should keep eye on NFL draft sleepers

**NFL.** Here's a look at three under-the-radar draft prospects who could make a major impact on Big Blue.

The success of any draft hinges on one coveted word — sleeper.

While it seems easy to hit on the first-round stud, what builds the backbone of any franchise is the relative unknown or passed-over player that's on a team's draft-board bubble. But Giants fans need to remember that it's not just the first-round pick that determines draft success, but the second round and beyond that are almost as important.

The Giants were one of the quieter teams during the initial free-agent frenzy, so look for general manager Jerry Reese to remain frugal in the draft and try to unearth quality depth — and maybe even a starter or two — in the middle rounds.

**A.J. Cann, Guard, South Carolina**
The former Gamecock has been slotted in many mock drafts as a second-rounder, as he can play some center, which may increase his value. Cann is an agile man for his size (6-foot-4, 315 pounds), so if Big Blue wants to make a move on him, they best not wait until their third-round pick (74th overall).

**Blake Bell, Tight End, Oklahoma**
The converted quarterback has the size (6-foot-5, 260 pounds) and acumen to quickly adapt to Ben McAdoo's West Coast offense. Since he's a former signal-caller, Blake already knows how to decipher coverages on the fly. The Giants currently have Larry Donnell as their starter. And while the former Grambling Tiger had a breakout season last year, it doesn't mean he's sewed up the spot for good. Look for the Giants to take a long look at Bell in the third round.

**Eric Rowe, Safety, Utah**
Of all the sleeper prospects on Reese's big-board, however, this name keeps getting bandied about within the facilities. The real beauty of Rowe's ascension, however, is his ability to play both corner and safety. That's a real value that New York hopes goes under the radar, as they currently only have two safeties on the roster (Cooper Taylor and Nat Berhe). The team is reportedly mulling whether to move corners Chykie Brown and Bennett Jackson to safety. And they're also still trying to re-sign free agent Stevie Brown. But the converting of cornerbacks reeks of desperation — especially if the aforementioned two never played safety before.

**On the Rowe boat**

**Rowe is a sleeper at safety who could be a perfect fit in New York.**

- At 6-foot-1, 205 pounds, he runs a 4.45 40-yard dash.
- He bench-pressed 225 pounds 19 times and scored a 39-inch vertical.
- The Giants would likely need to use their 40th pick on Rowe.

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